

## Message Text

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R 281722Z APR 78  
FM AMEMBASSY BRIDGETOWN  
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 5274  
INFO AMEMBASSY CARACAS  
AMEMBASSY GEORGETOWN  
AMEMBASSY GUATEMALA  
AMEMBASSY KINGSTON  
AMEMBASSY LONDON  
AMEMBASSY PORT OF SPAIN  
AMCONSUL BELIZE

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E.O. 11652:N/A

TAGS: PEPR, PBOR, BB, BH, GT, UK

SUBJ: EXTERNAL AFFAIRS MINISTER SAYS WIDER MULTINATIONAL FORCE  
NEEDED

REF: A) GEORGETOWN 0788 B) BRIDGETOWN 0926

1. BARBADOS EXTERNAL AFFAIRS MINISTER HENRY FORDE TOLD ME THAT  
AFTER MEETINGS WITH BOTH BELIZEAN GOVERNMENT AND OPPOSITION  
LEADERS THAT THERE IS NOW BROAD AGREEMENT THAT ANY  
MULTINATIONAL SECURITY FORCE ENVISIONED TO GUARANTEE THE  
INDEPENDENCE AND TERRITORIAL INTEGRITY OF BELIZE MUST HAVE A  
BASE WIDER THAN JUST A FEW CARIBBEAN COUNTRIES. FORDE ADDED  
THAT BOTH GOVERNMENT AND OPPOSITION WERE CONVINCED OF THE NEED  
FOR SUCH A FORCE, HOWEVER, AND WERE EQUALLY DETERMINED TO AVOID  
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ANY TERRITORIAL CONCESSION AS PART OF A SETTLEMENT WITH  
GUATEMALA.

2. ALTHOUGH FORDE VISITED CARACAS AND SPOKE WITH PRESIDENT  
PEREZ IN MID-APRIL, HE MADE NO INDICATION IN CONVERSATION  
APRIL 28 THAT THE TWO HAD TALKED ABOUT THE  
MULTI-LATERAL FORCE.

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## Message Attributes

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